

Thi saa har Gud elsket
Verden, at han gav sin
Søn, den enbaarne, for at
hver den som tror paa
ham, ikke skal fortæbes,
men have evigt Liv.

HYR DEN

"JEG ER DEN GODE HYRDE." — Joh. 10, 11.

Den som tror paa ham,
bliver ikke dømt; den som
ikke tror, er allerede dømt,
fordi han ikke har troet
paa Guds enbaarne Søns
Navn.

13de aargang.

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Dr. H. T. Eggedahl.

"Tiden gaar klokken slaar, evigheten forestaar!" O hvor tiden gaar fort! Det er bare en stakket tid vi lever her, saa kommer døden, og vi bæres til graven for at gjemmes der og snart er vi glemte, og verden gaar sin gang som før — "fødes og lever og dør saa til slut, det er vort jordiske liv, ak, o, hvor snart slukkes livslampen ut, kort er vor vandring og strid.

Ingen av dere, som læser disse linjer, ja endog de ældste iblandt eder, undtagen I syns at tiden har gaaet fort. Det er ikke saa længe syns I, siden I lekte som barn hjemme hos far og mor. Nu begynner I og at bli gamle og luter mott graven, ja saa er det. Den ene sløt efter den anden gaar i graven. Naar jeg bare tænker tilbake til mitt barndoms hjem, saa er alle disse som i sin bedste alder da jeg var barn, gaaet i sin grav, og deres børn igjen er begyndt at bli gamle, snart er ogsaa deres liv en s-ga blott. Like som høstens dag vidner om aarets ende, vidner det ogsaa om livets ende. Vi ser dødens tegn i det tiltakende mørke, i de bladløse træer i det visnede løv, i den stivnede jord, og i Vinterens liglaken, som har lagt sig over den. Ikke noget at undres over, at nu i disse høstlike stormfulde, mørke dage blir sindet tunkt. Som denne sommer nu er forbi, er og snart dit og mit liv forbi. Men er det alt? Nei der skinner et lys i mørket. Det er Guds-ordet, som minder om en evig sommer, om et liv efter dette. Og det er den Herre Jesus selv, som paa denne høstlige dag bringer livets ord til lys og fred: "Gud er ikke de dødes Gud, men de levendes." Tror du paa en levende Gud, da maa du ogsaa tro paa et liv i Gud. Ti han, som er selve livet og fra hvem det sande liv utgaar, kan ikke være omgivet død, og av de døde. — Vi vil derfor med bøn til Gud lægge os denne dyrebare sandhet paa hjerte, at de, som er født av Gud er gjenfødt til et levende haap. — De lukker sit øie i døden med det haap, at om de end bæres til graven, hvor de blir til jord igjen, saa skal de dog paa den yderste dag opstaa til et evigt liv. Derfor kan de synges:

"Jeg vet mig en morgen lys og skjøn,
der synges i livets lunde,
da kommer han Guds velsignede
som, med lystelig ord i munde
da væker han os av søvne op
alt ut i saa søle stunde."

Gud er de levendes Gud. Det var Saducæerne som brakte denne sak paa bane. Saducæerne var jødernes fritenkere, skeptikere, og rationalister. De trodde ikke paa nogen opstandelse fra de døde. De kom nu til Jesus for at vise ham, hvor urimelig det var at tro noget saadant, som at de døde opstaa, og saa kommer de frem med et eksempel om en enke, som hadde været gift syv gange, og tror nu at de skal fange ham i ord. "I opstandelsen hvis hustru skal hun være, som har havt syv mænd?" Men Jesus blev dem ikke svar skyldig. Han svarte dem saa de gik beskjemmet bort. "I farer alltid vild ti I kjender ikke skriftene ei heller Guds kraft." "Har I ikke læst om Moses at Gud talte til ham fra tornebusken, og kalder sig Abrahams, Isaks og Jakobs Gud. Gud er ikke de dødes Gud, men de levendes Gud." Altsaa maatte Abraham, Isak og Jakob leve endnu. Ja dem lever endnu. Den som lever og tror paa mig skal aldrig dø, siger Jesus. Og i himmelen trøster man ikke til at gifte sig, ti der dør man aldrig. Der trænges heller ingen formelse av menneske slegten, som her ned paa jorden, der er man lik Guds engle. Jesus minder dem om, at ekteskapet var bare for dette liv, ikke for det liv som kommer. Grunden til at en del folk ikke vil tro paa de dødes opstandelse, er ikke den, at det er saa urimelig eller at det er mere vanskelig at tro end mange andre ting, som de daglig ser for sine øine, og som dem tror. Men grunden til at mange ikke vil vite av nogen opstandelse ifra de døde, er den: De lever slik, at de hellere vilde være gjemt flere fot under jorden, end at opstaa av graven og møte den Gud, hvis ord de har foraktet. — En ung prest i Danmark blev engang tiltalt av en Regjeringsraad med disse ord: "De er en oplyst, dannet mand, de tror vel ikke paa det gamle Tøiere, at der er en Gud." Svaret lød: "Der er mennes-

ker (som uten syk og anger jager efter livets lyster og vellyster og venter sig i syndens smuds. Men der kommer en dag, da den Helligaand rører deres samvittighet; da maa de døve samvittighetens advarende stemme, og av frygt for død og dom forsnakke de sig; der gives ingen Gud, der gives ingen gjengjeldene dom, med døden er alt forbi." — Alles øine var rettet mot regjeringsraaden, som sat der s'iv og stum og ikke turde svare et ord. For den ugudelige var det bedre, at ikke var nogen Gud, men elsker man Gud og har sit liv i Jesus, og er det ens livs store haap at faa se ham som han er, og leve med ham i evigheten, da finder man det ikke vanskelig at tro, at han vil komme igjen og hente os alle til sig, for at vi skal være der, hvor han er. Det er hvad Guds barnet lægges efter. Amen.

VORE MENIGHETS FOLK GJØR DETTE.

Overskriften over denne artikel gir os frimodighet til at skrive dette. Ellers kunde det bli let misforstaaet. Det er en taknemlighets følelse som gjør at vi nævner disse ting.

I de almindelige kaldsbrev fra menighetene finder man blandt andet ogsaa denne paragraf:

"At vi som det sønner sig kristelige menigheter, vil dele alliehande godt med dem som os underviser."

Dette sigter naturligvis først og fremst til "prestelønnen" ti det kommer næst i kaldsbrevet. Men det kan ogsaa indbefatte gaver i natura saasom grønnsaker, kjød, fløte, osv. Man vet jo at der er mange strøk hvor der findes ingen grønnsaker, og lite med føder til kreaturene. Der er det ingenting at gi.

Men der er mange som ikke tænker paa det, endog om de har. Det er ikke selvishet som holder tilbake — men ret og slet det at det kommer dem ikke i tanke. Vi som har og er velsignet av menighetsfolket vet hvor gjilt det er naar nogen kommer os ihu paa denne maate. Det vilker opmuntrende at erfare at menighets folket har sine tjenere i tanke og viser det ogsaa paa denne praktiske maate.

Nogen eksempel i dette kald. En familie har fattet den gode tanke at bringe fløte hver eneste søndag naar barna kommer til søndagskolen. Hele den sidste sommer har det vist ikke slaat feil en eneste gang. En anden kommer ihu foder til melkekoen. Saa er der en Baranabas som lever i en av menighetene som gir presten adgang til hvadsomhelst som gror i "garden." Bare gaa og hjelp dig selv saa meget som du vil sier han til presten. Andre kommer med et las ved, andre et las is, og naar det slagtes hos farmeren blir ikke prestefolket glemt.

Men det er ikke bare fra økonomisk synspunkt set at dette er en stor velsignelse. Det hjelper til meget i det finansielle. Men det er en anden tanke vi vil faa bringe frem. Ved at se disse kjerlighetsbevisninger næres denne søle tanke at bakenom disse gaver ligger der bøn om Herrens velsignelse over tjenerens virksomhet. For det ligger fjernt at tænke at Gudsrikets sak som menighetene har kaldt prestefolket sammen med dem selv ved Guds kraft at fremme, ikke er indflettet ved bøn sammen med disse gaver. Denne tanke om det som ligger under disse kjerlighets bevisninger — en felles opgave — se det varmer hjertet — det løfter sindet — det øker drivkraften til Herrens gjerning.

Vi har erfaret dette. Hadde vi ikke det se da hadde vi ikke hat frimodighet at skrive dette. Stundom har vi maattet spørge de som deler med os, "Du har vel læst Galaterbrevet 6: 10 kanske?" Saa svares der: "Hvad staar det i dette vers?" Det lyder slik:

"La os derfor, medens vi har leilighet, gjøre det gode mot alle, men mest mot troens egne folk."

Pastor Vinge og familie.
Fa'ny Glen, Sask.

"Where there is a will there is a way."

Sandheten av dette ordsprok kom tilfulde tilsyne nu den 9de dennes.

Nogle faa kvinder i Outlook begyndte at tænke og samtale om at noget burde

gjøres for College-fondet, som man paa sidste møtet i skolen vor, bestemte.

Resolutionen, som der blev stemt over og antat lyder saaledes: "Resolved that all pastors serving Congregations in Sask. and Man. do their utmost to effect College consciousness within their respective Congregations and Luth. Leagues."

I talene som kom frem under behandlingen av dette punkt, fik vi høre, at de fleste av prester og delegater som var tilstede under møtet, var svært villige til at gjøre sit.

Nu tænkte disse kvinder, der i Outlook, er det tiden at begynde. Lidet og intet har vi at gi, men maaske kunde vi faa isammen nogle Dollars allikevel, for skolen vor.

Mrs. Dr. Riggie, hendes datter Mrs. Bolton, Mrs. K. Pederson, Miss. Mina Brien, 4 kvinder bestemte sig til at gjøre en begyndelse til dette College-fond. Faa istand en Community-Supper paa selve Colloget, var deres beslutning. Folk rystet paa hovedet, Vi har ingenting. Vi er paa Releif. Fik ingenting paa jorden vor. Ingen indtækt. Sikkelig ikke megen opmuntring for disse kvinder. Men de lot sig ikke skremme.

— De satte agitation igang. Henvendte sig til alle og enhver. Tanken slog an. Meget opmuntring fik de fra kvinderne i Sask. River mgh. Alle som en der bestemte sig til at hjelpe, lovede, høns, smør, hveteboller, poteter, fløte og grønnsaker utav det lille de hadde. Dette med glæde og velvilje. Vilde vise at Colleet var kjær, nu som før. En hel del blev donated av byens folk; likledes fra de andre Menigheter rundt om. Meget bryderi og opofrelse blev det for disse kvinder; men det gik. Det er jo saa, at en god vilje kan trekke et tunkt læs. Vil man noget, saa kan det ogsaa gjøres. Vanskeligheter var der i veien. Man hadde ikke belysning i bygningen, ikke vand og ingen brændsel. Alt blev dog overkommet. Byens "Board of Trade" fik Electric lysplanten connectet igjen paa byens bekostning, vand og brændsel blev brakt dit og kvindene ofrede flere dages arbeide med rengjøring og oppudsning. Veiret behageligt og godt, og folk strømmet til. En av kvindene yttrede før festen. "Vi har faatt saamange høns her, at jeg forestaar ikke hvorledes de alle kan bli fortæret;" Det gik nok saa alligevel, at der blev ganske lidet for de sidste som kom. Omkring 400 mennesker kom nedover trappene til spisesalen den aften. Aldrig saa vi saadan trængsel der oppe ved Collegen, som den aften. Dette blev til stor opmuntring og glæde for os. Det viser, at skolen har mange venner. En vakker pengesum, som begyndelse til dette Collegefond, kom ind. 25 cent var prisen for dette festmaalid. Naar der saa kom 400 og kjøpte billetter saa vet man hvad som kom ind den aften. Man hadde endel utgifter, men summen som blev git til College kassereren var ganske stor.

Der er da gjort en begyndelse til dette Fond. Dette jeg nu har fortalt, var især for at vække opmerksomheten for saken rundt om i vor province. Begyndelsen er gjort.

Vi vit denne skolen vor har mange venner rundt omkring. Mange studenter er gaaet ut fra denne institution, med bevisthet om aandelig hjelp og veiledning paa veien. Nu er der anledning for disse. Meget kan gjøres igjennem aarets løp. Begynd nu i tide.

Man kan ialfald gjøre saa som disse kvinder gjorde. Gaa og gjør noget! Vore prester venter vi meget av. De har det i sin makt at sætte strengene i bevegelse, saasant de vil være sine løfter tro. En prest ved Kredsmøtet her, fortalte mig, der var satt igang organisation i to av hans Mgh. til fordel for Colleet. Saa langt saa godt; men en av de andre prester som ogsaa var her, svarte, da han blev spurt, hvorfor ingen delegat kom til College møtet fra hans kald. I did not think of that. Ja, tanke-løs kan ogsaa en prest være.

Nu, disse penge som maatte komme ind igjennem vinterens løp, maa sendes til College kassereren Rev. J. Berge, Outlook. Jeg skal kvittere for beløpene i "Norrøna" og "Hylden"; naar man bare vil la mig bli underrettet om samme.

Jeg har ved at studere aarsberetningen for sidste aar. Jeg mener den for kirken vor sidste aar, fundet adskilligt til eftertanke. Jeg finder der, at forskjellen blir ikke saa stor, hvad angaar indremissions bidrag til de uttørrede distrikter og de som har navn av at være gode og frugtbare hvert aar. Naar man ser paa Camrose og Peace River

kredsene, der hvor man altid har, efter Board av Education utsagn, havt avlinger.

Det synes for mig, som om disse kredse har maattet ha likesaa meget hjelp som f.e.x. Saskatoon kreds her. Her hvor skolen vor blev stænkt, paagrund av tørken.

Dersom vort folk i Alta. vilde se saken i det rette lys, burde de visselig se at denne ordning som blev utklækket i Moose Jaw, sidste vaar, var forhastet. Hvorfor skulde gjøres saa borti natten? Tag al kirkelig støtte bort fra Outlook skolen og forplikte sig til at støtte Camrose med \$4000 aarlig.

Bygninger og inventar staar her i Outlook fuld færdige omtrint gjældfri. Her kunde tags vare baade paa den forberedende og den Theologiske afdeling, dersom man vilde. Dersom de rette mænd var i styret for samme. Men nok om dette nu for denne gang. Man blir vel træt av mit gnaal. Det er bare en enslig røst i ørkenen.

Jeg har No. 39 av vort Kirkeblad "Luth. Herald" liggende for mig her. Jeg ser nogle vakre billeder av vort kirkearbeide i Alaska, U. States, China, Madagaskar og Zululan. Et er glemt der, nemlig Kanada, Maaske vort land her blir ubetydeligt i Heraldens øine. Maaske ikke værdigt en plads her. Jeg kan si for min del, at der er ingen beretning i Heralden jeg læser med mere glæde og interesse end just netop Indre og Ytre missions efterretningene.

Vi er da med vi ogsaa, efter fattig evne. Jeg tror, vi skulde ogsaa ha været, nævnet, ti vi er da med. Venligst. Oscar Berg.

Dødsanmeldelse.

Mrs. Olena Sandager hustru av J. N. Sandager North Prairie, Preeceville, Sask. blev begravet fra North Prairie kirke under usædvanlig stor deltagelse.

Mrs. Sandager var født i Sacred Heart, Minn. i April 1886, og i den Lutherske kirke der blev hun døbt og konfirmeret. I 1904 tok hun et kursus ved Wilmar Seminar og var lærerinde en tid i Hawk Creek, Minn. I 1907 flyttet hun med sine foreldre Mr. og Mrs. N. E. Braun og søskende til Preeceville og blev den første lærerinde i North Prairie skole. I 1911 blev hun agteviet til Julius Sandager og den 1ste Oct. 1936 feiret de sit sølvbrullup i sit hjem hvor North Prairie menighet og venner viste dem stor opmerksomhet.

I sommer utbrøt der flere tilfeller av typhus i hendes slegt i North Prairie. Det var i Mr. og Mrs. Otto Melsness' hjem som blev haardt hjemstøkt av denne sykdom idet tre av deres blev angrepne. baade Mr. og Mrs. Clarence Berg, datter og svigersøn av Melsness og sønnen Delmar Melsness. De to først angrepne var nær døden, sarlig hadde man lite haap for Clarence Berg for en tid. Mrs. Sandager som altid var villig med raad og hjelp tok sin tørn nat og dag i sykestuen og blev saa selv angrepet. Det syntes dog for de første uker av hendes sykdom at hun var let angrepet og vi hadde det sikre haap at hun snart vilde bli med os igjen. Men sykdommen drok ut i langdrag og Onsdag 22. Sept. fik hun indre blødning og døde paa Fredag aftermiddag September 24.

I hende har North Prairie menighet mistet en av sine bedste arbeidere. Active og hjelpsom i alle kirkens gjøremaal, saasom Søndagskole, kvindeforening og ungdomsarbeide. Som kirkens organist og korleder i mange aar blev hun en stor hjelp for menighetsangen som altid er frisk og kraftig i North Prairie. kirke. Som en taktfull og helhjertet kristen hadde hun altid menighetens bedste for øie, for menighetens vel og fremgang levet hun og bad og kjempet. Derfor er det sandt som Mrs. Grønli sa blandt andet i korte men velvalgte ord som eftermæle: "She has left us a challenge." Ja hun faldt paa Kristi slagmark men satte korsbannerets merke efter sig for sine og andre at ta det op med ære.

Som hun var meget for menigheten var hun ogsaa meget for sit hjem. Den hygge orden og fred som hersket i Sandagers gjestfrie hjem skyldes nok mest denne aandsfriske hjerteglade kvinde og mor. Hjemmet ver i sandhet som et Bethania hjem. Kristi fred og kjerlighet raadet i familiens lemmer.

Ved begravelsen talte menighetens prest, P. C. Haaland og hadde som tekst Aap.

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VORE MENIGHETS FOLK GJØR DETTE. Slik lyder overskriften over en skrivelse fra pastor Vinge og familie der findes i dette nummer av Hyrden. Ved at læse samme bringer det ens tanker tilbake til den tid da det var i mange prestekald en fastsat regel at gi "in nature" til presten. Jeg husker fra min barndom i Minnesota at min far, der var en av trustierne i menigheten, reiste til medlemmerne i hans distrikt samlet hvets og Havre. Naar alt var samlet kjørte han det til prestegaarden. Slik var det gjort i alle trusti-distrikt inden menigheten. Derved fik presten nok vetemål til husbehov og hestene nok Havre for hele aaret. I disse knappe pengetider vilde meget kunde gjøres i den retning pastor Vinge nævner, ialfald i de distrikt som har noget at spare.

OUTLOOK COLLEGE FOND. Outlook College møte, der var holdt i August maaned, for at reorganisere den gamle skoleforening i henhold til beslutningen fattet ved distrikt-møtet i Saskatoon, ble sluttet som sagt at oprette et "FOND" til hjelp for at aapne Outlook College til næste høst. Begyndelse dertil er, som fremgaar av Hr. Berg's skrivelse, begyndt og det ved selve Outlook College byfolk og omliggende strøk. En mere passende begyndelse kunde der neppe tænkes og stor tak og ære tilkommer de modige kvinder som lot sig ikke skremme, men med stort held satte sine beslutninger igjennem Gak i hen og gjør likesaa. —U.

21:1—7 og formanden for Canada district, Dr. J. R. Lavik talte over Pred. 3: 11. Mr. og Mrs. Virgil Severson sang: "Face to Face" og Mrs. Adelyn Robertson sang en solo som Mrs. Sandager ofte sang: "One Solemn Sweetly Thought". Menigheten sang "Jeg vet mig en sønn i Jesu navn", og "Den Store Hvide Flok Vi Se." Efter jordpaakastelsen ved graven sang menigheten "O tenk naar engang samles skal." Velsignet være hendes minde.

Ved siden av den rikt blomster bedekene kiste, blev der ogsaa givet en del mindekranser som gaar til kirkens gjøremaal. Mr. og Mrs. N. E. Braum — \$10.00 til pensionen. \$10.00 North Prairie kvindeforening — til budget 10.00 Mr. og Mrs. Otto Melsness 5.00 Mrs. H. O. Grønlid 5.00 Mr. og Mrs. Henry Braum 3.00 Miss Mathilda Braum 3.00 Mrs. og Mr. A. T. Skrukud 2.00 Mr. og Mrs. M. Olsen 1.00 Mr. og Mrs. Otto og Virgil Siversen 1.00 Mr. og Mrs. P. C. Haaland 3.00

P. C. Haaland.

Konfirmation.

Søndag, 17de Oktober var en festdag for Menigheten i Valley Park, I. O. Thvedt's kald. Det var nemlig Konfirmationsdag og 7 konfirmanter blev konfirmeret. Hidtil har det været længe mellem konfirmationsdagene i Valley Park, men nu ser det ud til, at det kan bli Konfirmation til hvert, aar en tid fremover. Der er mange barn i opveksten nu. Den klassen som nu har læst et aar, vil bli konfirmeret næste aar og saa fremover.

Den klassen som blev konfirmeret, var Harold Dalen, Sophie Siversen, Stanley og Melford Torgerson og tvilling-brødrene Maynard og Melvin Erickson og deres yngre søster Norine.

En kirke, hvori Valley Park Menighet kunde samles til Gudstjeneste isteden for i Skolehuset, savnedes meget ved denne anledning. Forat bøte paa denne mangel, saa meget som muligt, hadde de pyntet og stelt til med et vakker teppe paa gulvet oppe paa Tribunen og en endnu vakrere duk paa bordet, som tjente som Alter og Kateter, og

mange vakre blomster.

Elter Konfirmations-handlingen fulgte Skriftemaal og Nadver. Av spesialnummere bør nevnes "Abide with me", sunget med Mrs. Pinkertons vakre stemme og akompagnert paa Pianoet av Miss Rolo. Denne sang gjorde et gripende og høitideligt indtryk paa forsamlingen.

Det uvanlige hendte, at det skulde muske-regne, saa forsamlingen var ikke overordentlig stor, men likevel blev offeret lidt over \$9.00 Dollars, som gaar til Budgettet.

Foruten nogen-som helst avling dette aar, blir det høst vanskelig for denne lille Missions Menighet, saavel som for mange søstermenigheter i Staterne og Kanada, at oppnaa sin fulde andel til vor Kirkes gjøremaal. Det spores imidlertid en god vilje, og er viljen der, til at bære frem Guds Rikes Gjerning, saa vil nok Gud i sin tid gi kraften. Saa vær ved godt mot, strævsomme broder og søster, og glem ikke Jesu løfte om at "være med eder alle dage". —T.

Hulda Runak.

(Forts. fra forrige nr.)

Da Kristus fandt sit faar, begyndte han ikke at slaa faaret fordi det hadde været ulydig og forvildet sig bort. Heller ikke forlangte han at det utmattede faar skulde gra tilbake til faarestien. Nei tænk, han løftet det op paa sine skuldre med glæde og bar det hjem. Herren er ikke vred over at han maa bære den tunge byrde. Og naar han kommer hjem med faaret, saa faar han istand en glædesfest over at det tapte faar er reddet fra døden og sønderrivelse av ulven!

Saaledes vil nu Herren gjøre med dig, Amanda. Du har faret vild i denne verdens ørken, og den eneste maate hvorpaa Herren kan redde din sjæl er den at han nu tar dig hjem til sig i himmelen.

Vil du la ham gjøre det, Amanda? Ja, hun var villig, men det var saa vanskelig at faa tro at han vilde motta hende. Men Hulda forsikret at naar Herren vilde dø for os, saa kunde han ikke etterpaa fornegte sig selv og forandre sit hjertelig og forstøtte den synder som i bødferdighet kom til ham.

Paa denne maate fik Gud bruke Hulda til at tænde troens stjerne og kjærlighetens brand i den døende bruds hjerte. Nu sang Hulda for den syke pike:

Bli hos os, mester, dagen holder!
Saa bad i Emmaus de to.
O trøst som skriften mig fortæller:
Du blev, du gav dem hjertero.
Hør ogsaa os, o du Guds søn,
vi beder just den samme bøn!

Bli hos os, du, naar dagen holder,
den sidste livets tunge dag,
naar dødens nat med mægt utvælder,
og frygt og sorg gjør fælles sag
med troens skjold utrustet du
den bange sjæl mot dødens gru!

Nogen tid før Amanda døde tok hun ringen av sin finger og bad Hulda om hun vilde bære den til et minde om Amanda. Dette lofte Hulda at gjøre. I ringen fik hun irgravert bokstavene I. K.

Naar nogen hentydet til den deilige ring hun bar, saa fortalte Hulda at det var hendes forlovelsesring. Derpaa kunde hun trekke ringen av haanden og vise frem bokstavene I. K. Det skulde bety Jesus Kristus sa hun.

Saaledes levet Hulda i flere aar. Hun hadde det godt med Gud; likeledes hadde hun stor frimodighet til at vidne om Frelseren. Og hun var til megen velsignelse hvor hun færdedes. Det var visnok dem der spottet hende og kaldte hende "Himmelbruden" eller "P. Insebruden," men det tok hun ikke meget hensyn til. Andre verdslige mennesker som hadde hende i sit arbeid, kunde nok synes at det var litt for meget av "denne gudsfrykten." Men hun var jo en krøpling som ikke forstod at nu i disse oplyste tider skulde man skjule sin kristendom til man kom til kirken; dersom man hadde nogen kristendom! Derfor fik man undskyldte Hulda. Hun var flink i kjelsønn, og det var hovedsaken.

Men Hulda, hun mente det var herlige dage at faa være et Guds barn, selv om man var en krøpling. Derfor sang hun saa ofte:

Skulde jeg min Gud ei prise
og ham takke hjertelig
som i al ting lader vise
han det mener godt med mig?
Av hans fromme hjerte flyder
kjærlighetens strømme frem
hvormed han oppholder dem
som hans ord og bud adlyder.
Alt tilsidst en ende faar
men Guds kjærlighet bestaar!

I mange kristne menneskers liv er der dypt vande som de maa igjennem, dunkle, mørke opplevelser der ofte ikke blir opklart paa denne side av graven. Vi har saa mange: Hvorfor? Hvorfor skal dette ve-

FOR HJEMLANDS TUREN vælg altid DEN NORSKE AMERIKALINJE

Naar man reiser med de norske passasjerbaater ss. BERGENSFJORD og ss. STAVANGERFJORD faar man det fulde utbytte av hjemlandsturen. Man er faktisk "hjemme" i det øieblikk man kommer ombord. Og saa hyggelig er turen at man synes de syv og en halv dagene fra Amerika til Norge er korte nokk. Planlegg reisetiden slik at De kan reise med Norskelinjen. Da blir De vel tilfreds med hele turen.

Seilinger fra New York:

STAVANGERFJORD, 6te November

STAVANGERFJORD, 8de December

NORSKELINJENS HJEMLANDSFERD MED BERGENSFJORD FRA HALIFAX DEN 26de NOVEMBER KOMMER TIL AA FØRE MANGE JULEREISENDE TIL HJEMLANDET.

M/S OSLOFJORD ER NU UNDER BYGNING.

DEN NORSKE AMERIKALINJE
278 Main Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba

Husholder Over Guds Mangfoldige Gaver.

PASTOR IVAR SAUGEN, VIKING, ALTA.,
Kanada Distrikt Finans Sekretær.

Klokskap.

Dette ord høres fornuftigt ut. Men la oss nu gjøre bruk av vor fornuft og tænke paa klokskap i forbindelse med vort kirkelige arbejde.

I Lukas 16:8—9 læser vi, "Og herren roste den uretfærdige husholder for at han hadde baaret sig klokt ad; ti denne verdens barn er klokere mot sin egen slekt end lysets barn. Gjør eder venner ved den uretfærdige mammon, forat de, naar den svikter, maa ta imot eder i de evige boliger." Disse ord høres rare ut. Hvad som gjør disse ord av Jesus saa vanskelig at fatte, er at han benytter et uretfærdigt menneskes skempe ved sine formaninger. Samtidig med at denne mand var en uretfærdig husholder, skyldig til straff, saa utfoldede han en klokskap, som man maa beundre og som man kunde ønske blev anvendt i en bedre tjeneste.

Det som vi bør merke oss ved disse ord av Jesus er, at vi ikke blir frelst ved vort bruk av den uretfærdige mammon; men at vi som er frelst ved troen paa Jesus kan gjøre bruk av den uretfærdige mammon til at vinde oss venner i de himmelske boliger. Det er denne mands klokskap vi burde anvende i vort kirkelige arbejde. Det blir med andre ord, at vi ved vort jordiske gods samler oss venner i himmelen.

Vi har alle en aandskapital at tjene Gud med; men vi kan tjene Gud og vinde andre for himmelen med det vi eier her paa jorden. Dette har mange svært litte syn for. Vort kristenliv gaar ofte op i aandelige kampe og aandelige nydelser. Vi vil gjerne gi Jesus vort hjerte, men vore penger og gods vil vi styre med selv. Et saadan syn leder oss ind i en tilværelse som gjør oss udelige tjenere for utbredelsen av Guds rike paa

jorden. En kristendom som bare vil ta ind, er en syk kristendom, og mangler evnen og kraften til at virkelig gjøre kristendom i verden. Er vi kloke? Fo. staar vi denne sykdom som stadig tærer paa oss?

I aarsrapporten for 1935 fra vore missionsmarker finder vi, at 1023 barn var døpte og 1149 voksne var døpte i det aar som gikk paa vore missionsmarker. Altsaa igjennem vort fælles arbejde, det som mange kalder "Samfundskassen" har vor kirke vunnet 2172 sjæle for Kristus i et aar. Nu vor kristendom skulde vel ikke bestaa i at gjøre slike regnestykker, og dog ligger der en sandhet i denne rapport som vi alle trenger for at se velsignelsen av vort fælles arbejde. Denne velsignelse og mange andre er vi vi delaktige i gjennom vort kirkelige arbejde. Et arbejde som hverken du eller jeg kunne gjøre alene, men som vi alene kan gjøre igjennem vor kirke.

Dette er klokskap. Maa vor fornuft gripe denne klokskap med troskap til Gud.

Ifølge Dr. Bergsakers rapport, den 30. September saa er det indkommet \$2300.30 av de \$9 045.— som det kanadiske distrikt er ilignet, altsaa bare 36,5%. Der er 74 menigheter som ikke har sendt ind noget, og 37 predike pladser som ikke har sent ind noget. Dette ser ikke saa lovende ut. Der er syv menigheter som har sent ind sitt fulle beløp og de er: Vor Frelser, Schuler, pastor Walker; Kincoreth, pastor Walker; Bethania, pastor J. Stolee; Sexsmith, pastor K. A. Knutson; Ist. L. Glendon, pastor Melsather; Zion, pastor Lokensgaard; og Pinto Creek, pastor G. Ostrem. Lad oss alle ta fat nu før vinteren kommer og gjøre alt hvad vi kan med innsamlingen for vort samfunds arbejde.

INDSAMLINGEN.

Det ligger mot slutten av cgsaa dette aar, og især av den helligste tid for indsamlingen til kirkens fællesgjøremaal. Erfaringen viser at det er noksaa vanskelig at gjøre meget for den sak i december og januar, især dersom vinteren er streng. Det er derfor om at gjøre at faa saa meget som mulig gjort nu i november maaned. Jeg likte ved disse linjer at opmuntre til et dygtig tiltak nu før det er for sent.

Vi vet meget vel at det er vanskelig paa mange steder, især der hvor de har hat fuldstændig uaar. Men av regnskapene ser vi at det er ikke altid der hvor tørken var verst at det gaar daarligst med indsamlingen. I denne som i saa mange andre saker er det interessen og viljen som tar de tyngste tak. Og i Guds rikes arbejde er jo sand interesse og vilje en frugt av Guds aands gjerning i hjertene. La oss derfor først og fremst be om, og arbeide for, at menighetene maa fornyes og oppbygges aandelig. Og da, for den som er aandelig fornyet, blir kirkens arbejde baade hjemme og ute en lyst saa vel som en samvittighetssak.

Det er kanske overflødig at sige noget om hvor viktig det er for vor kirkes frem-

derfares mig? Jeg forstaar ikke hvorfor Herren lar disse ting komme over mig. Saaledes var det med Job da han spurte Herren: "La mig vite hvorfor du strider med mig!" Og digteren synger paa denne maate: Tænk naar engang er løst hver jordisk gaade,

besvaret hvert "Hvorfor" jeg grundet paa, men kunde ei med al min grublen raade, tænk naar jeg Herrens vei skal klart forstaa!

I saadanne tider la os huske paa hvad

Kristus saa kjærlig bad sine disipler om da deres store prøvelse var nær forhaanden. Hør hvad Herren sier til dem: "Tro paa Gud, og tro paa mig" (Joh. 14, 1). Ja, la os gjøre det, saa blir alt opklart naar vi kommer hjem. "Her er de helliges taalmodighet og tro," sier Johannes (Aaab. 13, 10). Allikevel kan det ofte være tungt for et Guds barn at erfare sandheten av salmistens ord naar han sier om menneskelivet paa jorden: "Dets herlighet er møie og tomhet" (Sal. 90, 10). (Mere.)

—J. R. Lavik.

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have eternal life.

SHEPHERD

I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD. John 10, 11.
ORGAN OF THE NORWEGIAN LUTHERAN CHURCH OF CANADA.

He that believeth on him is not judged; he that believeth not hath been judged already, because he hath not believed on the name of the only begotten Son of God.

Winnipeg, Manitoba, First Nr. in November 1937

SERMONETTE.

Rom. 13: 1-7.

by Rev. J. T. Dahle.

The early Christians were troubled as to what should be their relation to the heathen rulers under whom they lived. Therefore we have this section on the duties of citizens, in the letter which Paul writes to the Romans. He includes similar sections in some of his other letters. When we consider the character of some of the Roman emperors as they are portrayed for us by history, it isn't strange that the Christians should wonder as to what should be their relation to them. Therefore Paul reminds his readers that "there is no power but of God; the powers that be are ordained of God." God is able to use even heathen governments and wicked rulers for carrying out His purposes and His plans.

That which constitutes our duty to our rulers is that we obey them. It is God who has given us our government. We need it. And the laws that are enacted are to be obeyed. Even though this or that law may not be in accord with our wishes, once it is enacted into law, it is our Christian duty to obey it. We have no right to choose which laws we shall obey and which we shall disregard. There are too many in our day who seem to think it smart to break the law, as long as one can escape being caught. We need to remind ourselves that it is God who has given us government, and when we disobey its laws, we are also disobeying Him.

Paul gives three reasons why we ought to be in subjection to the higher powers: 1) It is God's will — if we disobey our government, we are disobeying God, and must accordingly reap the rewards of such resistance; 2) Because of fear — we ought to fear him whom God has given the right of punishing those who resist; 3) For conscience' sake — the Christian conscience will be enlightened by God's Word to demand such obedience. Obedience is one of the things which God's child should want to render his heavenly Father, and when we obey our government we are in reality but obeying God.

But even Christians do not always take the right attitude to the government. It may be that we look upon it as man-made and forget that it is also ordained of God. We often hear a great deal of complaining about the government; we do not always keep its laws; and often we criticize it unjustly and overemphasize its faults. And when we spend government funds or do something for which the government is to pay us, we are not as careful about the way we spend such funds as we would be if they were our own. We forget that for them too we owe an account of our stewardship unto God. Even the Christian needs to remind himself time and again that "the powers that be are ordained of God", and whether they be good or bad, it is His will that we render them obedience.

Good government is one of the blessings for which we pray in the Fourth Petition, when we ask our Lord for "daily bread." Good government will come only to those nations that are law-abiding and whose citizens respect the law. And as law-abiding citizens it is our duty to vote, thereby doing our share to bring about good government. Our vote should be looked upon as a sacred responsibility, a privilege which we have, of choosing with God, those who shall be our rulers. Only when we look upon our vote in that way can we ask God to give us good government.

It is God's good will to give us good government, but He can do so only as we recognize the principle Christ Himself laid down: "Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's and unto God the things that are God's." To our government we owe obedience, and to our God "fear, love and trust above all things."

Conditions Normal on China Mission Field.

(Concluded.)

In Canton I stayed at the Berlin Mission. They are not so located that they can do efficient service to those who pass through. But we greatly enjoyed our fellowship with them.

The journey from Canton took us about 50 hours, which was only three hours longer than the schedule. It was quiet along the way. Troop trains were in evidence only after we came to Northern Human.

NOTICE.

During November and December letters will reach me either at Saskatoon or Briceyn, Minnesota. If any matters should develop which cannot be arranged by correspondence, I may be able to arrange for another brief visit to the District.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

At its meeting on the 15th of September the Mission Committee decided to engage Rev. Palmer Anderson as evangelist for the District, provided the Foreign Mission Board is willing to enter into such an arrangement. This has now been arranged to, and consequently Rev. Anderson will work as evangelist and field man for foreign missions, each department bearing half of the cost. If conditions should so improve in China that Rev. Anderson could return to his work there, this arrangement would have to terminate at once, but there seems no immediate prospect of that.

Invitations should be sent to Rev. Peder Lerseth, Bawlf, Alta., who, together with the District President, is responsible for arranging Rev. Anderson's route.

May the Lord richly bless this very important work!

J. R. Lavik.

They caused us some delay. So did the cow that we ran over. Here in Hankow I find conditions about as I expected—perhaps a little better. Our people are at their posts and on their jobs. The American School has opened.

The Lord has Called Home a Faithful Witness In Memoriam Rev. P. C. Halvorson, 1866-1937.

Forty-one years ago, the Lord called a young man to go to the island of Madagascar and serve Him. Obedient to His Lord, Rev. Halvorson and his wife, nee Antonette Nilsen, a daughter of Missionary Nils Nilsen, one of the first missionaries (1866) of the Norwegian Missionary Society in Madagascar, set out for their field of service.

When Rev. Halvorson arrived on the field in 1897, he began immediately to build and conduct a Home and School for Malagasy boys. The school opened on December 23rd of that year with eighteen pupils in attendance. For four years the boys slept in the attic above Halvorson's house. The attendance grew rapidly. Young, healthy Malagasy boys can and will make a great deal of noise even though they wear no shoes. This fact the Halvorsens realized keenly in the evenings and especially after days of strenuous labour. The boys were full of life and pranks, but they knew the missionaries loved them. They called him "Papi" Halvorson. This school later developed into the large Manantantely Boys' School and Normal with an enrollment of over 250 students.

Later Rev. Halvorson opened an Evangelist School in 1909, with forty students. Here the future evangelists were trained who could go out and preach the Gospel to their own people.

Due to ill health, Rev. Halvorson returned to America in 1916. Thereupon he became a field representative for Foreign Missions, which work he did faithfully for twenty years. Many congregations remember his warm-hearted messages about the needs on the foreign fields and his earnest appeal for support of the Lord's program.

Rev. Halvorson entered into his eternal rest on September 27th while he was working on his farm near Sinai, S. Dak. The funeral service was held at the Lutheran Church in Sinai Sunday, October 3rd. He leaves behind him a devoted wife, seven children, one of whom, Rev. Conrad Halvorson, is a missionary and professor at the school his father founded in Madagascar.

It was always an inspiration to travel with and listen to Missionary Halvorson. To enjoy his intimate fellowship was a rare blessing. Foreign Missions has lost a gifted and devoted worker. May the memory of our beloved friend's life stir us all to a deeper devotion to the Master's service while He still grants us an opportunity to live and witness for Him! —A. S. B. (Lutheran Herald.)

The Preacher.

The preacher has a good time. If his hair is grey, he is too old; if he is a young

man, he hasn't had experience. If he has ten children, he has too many; if he has none, he isn't setting a good example. If his wife sings in the choir, she is presuming, if she doesn't she isn't interested in her husband's work. If the preached reads from notes, he is a bore; if he speaks extemporaneously, he isn't deep enough. If he stays at home in his study, he does not mix enough with the people, if he is seen around the streets he ought to be at home getting up a good sermon. If he calls on some poor family, he is playing to the grandstand; if he calls at the home of the wealthy, he is an aristocrat.

(Selected.)

Precious Fruits of the Gospel Message.

"Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God" (Luke 9: 62).

I have often been reminded of this word from God. May we all look upward and forward. The time is short. Soon we shall see Him whom we have believed and loved.

When Mrs. Chen and I went house visiting in the West city, we called in a home where the daughter-in-law comes to our Sunday meetings. Her mother-in-law, 76 years old, was lame and had not been able to move for over six months. We talked with her, asked the Lord to save her soul and soon take her home. The following week Mrs. Chen and some school girls visited her. She was then sitting up in bed, feeling much better. They all believed that God would heal her for His own name's sake. When they visited her the third time, she was sitting outside. The daughter-in-law was almost blind. I sent her to the Norwegian Hospital in Loohokow, where she had an operation on her eyes and came back healed. They both thanked the Lord for healing. "I, even I, am he that blot out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins." Old Grandma Lan now comes to church every Sunday, about one-half mile's walk.

On April 18 Mr. Darg was installed as pastor of the congregation here. He held a nine day meeting, together with an evangelist from Sinyeh. The meeting was planned for the city congregation, schools and opium patients who lived here. Our church could not accommodate more people. It rained every day and yet the church was filled daily. We had extra meetings in the school for eighty of the younger pupils.

God blessed us with the salvation of souls. A young business man, 24 years old, was almost blind two weeks before the meeting from an eye disease. Mrs. Hsu, a 70-year-old warm Christian, told him how Jesus healed the sick when He was walking on this earth. Mrs. Hsu had prayed with him several times, and when the meetings opened she brought him to church. He could then find his way through the street. Mrs. Hsu and the young man remained in church for prayer when we went home to eat. Day after day they poured out their

hearts before God. Two weeks after the meeting closed this young man came back with his testimony that God had saved his soul and healed his eyes. He had gone back to his home to make things right with his family, and to tell them what God had done for him. During the meeting he bought a Catechism and a Bible and is now studying God's Word.

A young teacher who had heard the Gospel only two months found her Savior. She had always hated the Gospel and the foreigners. Her husband's parents were living Christians, and her mother-in-law took care of the child so the young woman could listen in peace to the Gospel message Sunday after Sunday. In the beginning she was always sick when the others were going to church, but her mother-in-law's kindness moved her to go and listen, and soon she was desirous to hear more. The last Sunday of the meeting during a personal talk she acknowledged that she was a sinner, but nothing seemed clear to her. In my bedroom we knelt together. She said she had never before prayed direct to God. In a simple prayer she asked God by His Spirit, for Jesus' sake, to lead her to repentance, to give her strength from that hour to leave sin and seek God with her whole heart.

She went home to eat, but could not eat. She came right back to the church where Pastor Lane was singing with the school boys. She sat there quietly and listened. She was deeply touched with the singing. The burden of sin rested so heavily upon her that she could not move. Two other teachers helped her out of the church, and after several hours of struggling in prayer she found peace.

A young military officer's wife, who attends our school and who has heard the Gospel only one month, was deeply touched by God's Word, and now she has found Him who saves to the uttermost. School boys from heathen homes found peace with God. The school boys have a prayer meeting every evening in the church. This is a great help to those who have lately found their Savior. A young, warm-hearted teacher leads these meetings, and he also does much personal work among the pupils.

—Anna Lee Wold.

Reminiscences from 1895.

The longer we live and labor in China, the less we have time for retrospect. The world is rolling on with a tremendous speed. Old as well as young must try to keep step with the march of humanity. And our goal is ahead—forward and upward to that future, where life reaches its consummation. Still, now and then moments come when we cannot prevent our thoughts from flashing back to days gone by.

We cannot think of our first Mission Home in Hankow, without seeing the two pioneer figures, Rev. and Mrs. D. Nelson, Sr.

When in 1895, I arrived in Hankow they met me with smiling faces. "We welcome you to China! God bless you in His great service!" Everyone who came to their home was heartily welcomed by these kind friends. And we felt at home with them. They gave advice, and served with joy. It was a choice experience to be with the Nelsons.

My first lesson in spoken Chinese came from Mr. Nelson. He had, of course, learned the Hankow dialect, and this he preferred, though the last twenty-four years of his life were given to Sinyang, Honan.

On my first Sunday in Hankow I accompanied him to the chapel where he preached. His face shone with joy as he delivered his message. Even without understanding Chinese, one felt that his words came with deep sincerity, and love for the people. "Company," he kept repeating in his sermon until it came into my memory to stay. But it puzzled me why he should refer to some "company" so often. When I told him that I could understand: "Jesus" (Yehsu), and "company," Mr. Nelson smiled and thought I had done very well in getting so much of the first Chinese sermon! But I found that this "company" had a different meaning: "kung-pa ni" ("if, perhaps you!")

I always appreciated the friendship of the Nelsons. They were faithful friends in all kinds of weather. My life has been enriched by their friendship. We remember them with thanks to God.

—C. W. Landahl.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY FEDERATION

MRS. I. O. THVEDT, Editor — LANGHAM, SASK.

To Our Ladies Aids Box Work of the W. M. F.

We have tried to plan our work so as to give every one an opportunity to carry out the wishes of our Master, for by helping our church homes, we are making it possible for the needy to live in Christian environment.

The aged will say in their hearts as did David, "Cast me not off in the time of old age, forsake me not when my strength faileth." Ps. 71: 9.

Having received information from the matron of our Old People's Home at Bawlf, Alberta, in which is given a list of articles which is needed at the home.

We wish to appeal to our Ladies Aids to kindly remember our Home with donations of any of the following articles.

White or colored flannellette blankets for single beds, single blankets preferred. Sheets, unbleached cotton for single beds. Pillow cases and hand towels, turkish towels, colored are the best. Bed spreads, white or colored.

Gifts of any above named articles will be thankfully received.

The Lord overlooks no good deed, ever so small given in His Name, as the giving of a glass of water. How well He expressed it when He said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

Yours in His Service,
Mrs. K. O. Kandal,
Box Work Secretary, W.M.F.

Feed My Lambs.

"Feed My Lambs" was the theme of the W. M. F. meeting of the Swift Current Circuit held Sept. 10th, at Zion church, Ryle, Sask., Rev. Bergsagel's charge.

After singing and devotion led by Rev. Urness, Mrs. I. O. Thvedt, District President, spoke on the timely theme: "Feed My Lambs", which was also in harmony with the topic of the circuit meeting, i. e. The great commission of Matth. 28. She laid before us the great responsibility as well as privilege to take care of the Lambs. How we are leading our children with our teaching and example.

Rev. Overlid of Stewart Valley also spoke briefly on the same topic, stressing the need of being true Christian mothers in order to lead the children. That we are leading them either to heaven or hell.

Mrs. J. Aadland read a poem on "Jesus Keeps." Two duets were rendered: "Oh happy Home where Thou art loved . . ." and "Have Thine Own Way."

The following were elected: president, Mrs. G. Ostrem, Admiral; vice-president, Mrs. K. Bergsagel, Kyle; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. J. Aadland, Chambery; secretary mission boxes, Miss Bertha Strom, Kyle; thank-offering, Mrs. H. Haakenson, Crichton; historian, Mrs. G. Gilbertson, Frontier; box-work, Mrs. E. Dyrland, Kyle; cradle-roll, Mrs. J. Anderson, Chambery; and in memorial life-membership, Mrs. K. Bergsagel; offering received was \$5.50, which went toward defraying traveling expenses for Mrs. Thvedt.

May God bless all said and done to His glory and honor.

—Mrs. G. J. Ostrem, sec'y.

"Thank Offering."

Thank-offering months are October and November. Have you sent for your thank-offering envelopes? If not, do so now. Send to Miss Helen Ulvestad, 425 S. 4th St., Minneapolis, Minn.

Suggestions for organizing a library in your Ladies Aid may be secured by writing to 425 S. 4th St., Minneapolis. Samples of material will be sent out free of charge.

We would encourage the Ladies Aids to make a special effort during the months of October and November in assisting the church-paper campaign. Especially "Hynden."

We urge all circuit presidents to present at all meetings an increased subscription to the News Bulletin and more faithful use of it.

Peace.

(Concluded.)

God hath not promised skies ever blue,
Flowerstrewn pathways always for you.
God hath not promised sun without rain,
Joy without sorrow, peace without pain,
But God hath promised strength from above,

Unfailing sympathy, undying love.

God is not only a help, but a present help. A help in just that peculiar circum-

stance in which you and I are situated. What then is keeping this gift from entering our hearts? It is self. The richest gifts never come to those who try to win them selfishly. God cannot enter a heart that is already filled. Just as when Christ first came to this world, there was no room for Him, today there is no room in the hearts of men.

A lady once described a church member as having just enough religion to make her miserable — too much to be happy at dances and too little to be happy in prayer meeting. There is no peace in the board-land. The half-way Christian is a torment to himself and no benefit to others. The condition for obtaining this blessed gift — GOD'S GIFT — is absolute surrender to Him. Learn of Him. Jesus says: Mat. 11:29: "Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me, for I am meek and lowly of heart, and ye shall find rest for your souls." Let us take our places at the feet of Jesus, learn of Him. "A little while with Jesus. Oh how it soothes the soul, and gathers all the threads of life into a perfect whole." Everything is different when Jesus is near. There we shall forget the things that are behind and not fear the future, forget injuries, slight unkind words. Tell all to Jesus. Confess our sins, and ask Him to take care of that load that is too heavy to bear. In the quiet peaceful joy of being in His presence, we shall not even feel like being angry or discouraged, but shall be able to forgive as we have been forgiven, and look forward to a blessed walk with Him who has promised strength as the need of each day.

How and where shall we find this peace? It is found in the Word of God. Read and pray.

O what peace we often forfeit,
O what needless pain we bear.

All because we do not carry
Everything to God in prayer. . .

There must be a daily renewal, we must go to God every day. He is our power station. We may go to Him with everything both concerning ourselves and others. God's way and thoughts are so much higher than ours. Our prayer should not be to ask God to our way of doing and thinking, but to reach up to God's.

Believer, this promise of peace is for you. A rest in the assurance of God's favor here and rest in full enjoyment of heaven hereafter. The peace of God. The rest of a forgiven soul. The peace of this world is found in forgetting. They are lulled to sleep for a time, but not all are at peace who meet you with gleaming eye and merry laughter. Could you read their hearts, you would find a record of many griefs known only to themselves, fears, doubts and unforgiven sins, which send an arrow through their souls.

Should there be such a soul, one who longs for peace, but feels the burden of sin too great, Christ says, "Come unto Me all ye who are weary and heavy laden and I will give you rest."

"O Lord! how happy should we be,
If we could cast our care on Thee;
If we from self could rest,
And feel at heart that One above,
In perfect wisdom, perfect love, —
Is working for the best.

How far from this our daily life!
Ever disturbed by anxious strife,
By sudden, wild alarms;
Oh, could we but relinquish all
Our earthly props, and simply fall
On Thy almighty arms!

Could we but kneel, and cast our load,
E'en while we pray, upon our God;
Then rise with lighten'd cheer
Sure that the Father, who is nigh
To still the famish'd raven's cry,
Will hear, in that we fear.

We cannot trust Him as we should,
So chafes fallen nature's restless mood
To cast its peace away;
Yet birds and flow'rets round us preach, —
All, all the present evil teach,
Sufficient for the day.

Lord, make these faithless hearts of ours
Such lessons learn from birds and flowers,
Make them from self to cease.
Leave all things to a Father's will,
And taste, before Him lying still,
E'en in affliction, peace."

"So then let us follow after things which make for peace, and things whereby we may edify one another." Romans 14, 19.

"Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, in the power of the Holy Spirit." Rom. 15, 13.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S LUTHER LEAGUE

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A Message to Leaguers from Canada. (Conclusion.)

This is also true of the many other heroic pastors in these Circuits. Rev. Ivar Saugen had over forty of his own young people at camp and carried the full load of camp management almost alone. At the Edmonton convention seventy of his young people attended, while he was at the back and call and service of all continually.

The Broderick convention was also unusually well-attended, and the Saskatoon Circuit young people gathered there insisted on an annual convention in the future, instead of a biennial as heretofore. Rev. Lokensgaard, the circuit president (who was re-elected) asked me to speak on the matter, and our youth cause gained a real victory by the convention's decision.

Around Broderick, which is near Outlook—where one of our closed church schools stands, almost all people will be 100 per cent on relief again this winter and they are actually thanking and praising God for the fine "crops" of Russian thistles which they expect to "harvest" soon, after the rain which fell while I was at the convention. While the rainy weather wasn't ideal convention weather, it was a joy to witness the joy of the convention attendants as the showers fell from heaven. Needless to say, there was no complaining about the inclement weather anywhere and some actually had the thrilling experience of sharing their joy with three and four year olds who had never seen rainfall.

Went from Broderick to the Cooking Lake Bible Camp which promises to be a well-established camp in the future, for Rev. Lersest and other pastors are pushing the project 100 per cent.

Had a couple of days in Rev. Lystig's home in Edmonton before the joint Camrose and Provost Circuits' convention which was also a very blessed and successful one. Rev. O. G. Malmin was the main speaker and did exceptionally well. I had met more than half of the young people at this last convention at the two Bible camps I attended, so it proved to be a happy and early reunion with many of them.

Youth's Prayer.

God, give me courage. Never let me shun
The struggle, for it is a gift
To be desired; and upward let me look
And lift.

God, give me vision—power to sympathize
And power to hear, and understand,
And take my weaker friends and lead them
By the hand.

God, give me truth; and let me be sincere,
Help me to stand for what is right
And help me to distinguish darkness
From the light.

God, give me dreams; yet dreaming, let
me see
The true, the tangible, the real;
And help me with my rapid-beating heart
To feel.

God, give me balance; let me upright stand
When those around me seem to fall.
And let me grow in wisdom every day
More tall.

God, give me faith in Thy almighty plan
And if I err, help me to mend
My faults, before I come to Thee
At journey's end.

—Marcella Compton
in "Epworth Herald."

Swift Current Circuit Y.P.L.L. Convention, White Valley, Sask., Sept. 24-26.

Another inspirational and blessed convention has become history of the past! The convention theme was "Our Young People for Christ." This was centered around three leading papers. The first, "The Need of Winning Souls for Christ" was very clearly presented by Knut Hegstad of Frontier. Can we as young people sit idly by when youth of today is plunging headlong to destruction? How shall we account for lost opportunity? Discussion followed each introductory presentation. The second discussion, "Preparation for Soul Winning" was opened by Pastor A. M. Vinge, Fairy Glen, who sat forth seven needs of a soul winner, namely:

1. Must be true Christian.
2. Must be a praying Christian.
3. Must be a dependent Christian.
4. Must be a willing Christian.

5. Must have Christ's view of sinners.
6. Must believe in guidance.
7. Must realize time is short.

The third section of the theme "Sharing Christ Faithfully" was forcibly presented by Mr. Galen Morstad of Simmie. By sharing Christ with others we get added blessings and a clearer vision of Christ.

Saturday evenings song service was enjoyed by all. The solo: "I would be true" was sung very beautifully by Mrs. Gust Ostrem.

Mr. Gerhard Ostrem preached on Sunday morning, and in the afternoon he stressed the need of spreading the Gospel in South America. It was indeed a privilege to have Mr. and Mrs. Gerhard Ostrem at this convention as a farewell visit in the community. They will be missed in their untiring work for the young people.

Much fine singing was evident at this convention. The choir under the direction of Mr. George Gilbertson, and the string band led by Gerhard Ostrem added much to the convention. There were duets by the following: Benjamin and Gerhard Ostrem, Mrs. Ostrem and Margaret Braathen, Evelyn Nycn and Margaret Braathen, Carol Gilbertson and Isobel Kalder, and Pastor and Mrs. G. Ostrem. Solos by Mrs. Gustav Ostrem, and by Pastor A. M. Vinge. A trio consisting of Evelyn Nycn and Ruth and Margaret Braathen sang number. Mrs. William Gilbertson recited "The Church Walking with the World". A male chorus also sang at some sessions.

Several took part in the discussion, Pastors Benjamin and Gustav Ostrem, Gerhard Ostrem, Mr. George Gilbertson, Mr. Adolph Odland together with our local pastor.

And so our convention was once more brought to a close with added blessings to all who attended. Let us go forth with renewed vigor and point some soul to Christ.

Margaret Braathen (Sec'y.)

Saskatoon Circuit reports a very successful Board Meeting held October 7th. Circuit work general was discussed and planned and plans were made for the 1938 convention and Bible camp. The Board decided to make July 18—24 Bible Camp and Convention week. This would then follow immediately after the Canada District General Y.P.L.L. Convention scheduled for July 14—17. The president of this Circuit Pastor B. O. Lokensgaard states: "Our first Board meeting for several years proved successful." It is encouraging to note the increased interest and systematic and early planning for convention and Bible camp work. May the Lord bless our dear young people.



In Memoriam.

Richard Joel Theodore Vinge, taken home October 24, 1936.

You have been gone from our vision a year now. You left a large empty room in our hearts and home after your sudden passing. To us it seems long—to you it has been but one fleeting, glorious moment in the presence of God.

We have missed your dear presence at morning devotion—your play—your voice at evening devotion. Your little empty bed has reminded us of the missing cheery "goodnight", and the little mumbled evening prayer.

But we have been given grace to praise God for it all. We rejoice now in your passing. There has been added something beautiful and solemn in our home life. The thought that we are pilgrims has been effectively emphasized—and the city which hath foundations, if possible, is even more appealing and desirable.

Pastor A. M. Vinge and family.